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MEXICO.

Report from Progreso—Sanitary conditions at Progreso and Merida—Yellow fever.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Harrison reports, July 19:

During the week ended July 19, 1903, bills of health were issued to the following-named vessels:

July 11, schooner *Rita Cue*, American, to New Orleans: Crew, 6 (good). Wharf.

July 11, steamship *Ole Bull*, Norwegian, to New York: Crew, 20 (good, except one traumatic case, slight). Wharf.

July 12, steamship *Monterey*, American, Vera Cruz to New York: Water. Well out. Crew, 93 (good). Passengers: First, to Progreso, 106; second, in transit to New York and Habana, 50; third, Progreso to New York, 17 (good).

July 13, steamship *Daggry*, Norwegian, to New York via Campeche: Wharf. Passengers, 1 (good). Crew, 17 (good).

July 13, steamship *Nile*, British, to Boston: Wharf. Crew, 20 (good).

July 14, steamship *Cheruskia*, German, to New Orleans: Crew, 38 (good). Carried a surgeon. Water. Well out from shore.

July 15, schooner *Attractor*, British, to Mobile: Crew, 6 (good). Wharf.

July 15, schooner *Susie B. Dantzler*, American, to Ship Island: Wharf. Crew, 7; captain's family, 3 (all good).

July 18, steamship *Telefon*, Norwegian, to Mobile: Crew, 26 (good). Passengers, first-class in transit, 4; steerage, Progreso to Mobile, 1 (all good). Wharf. This vessel carries a marine medical inspector from the quarantine board of Mobile Bay, whose duty it is to disinfect the living quarters of the ship as soon as cast loose from the wharf here, using 40 per cent formaldehyde by means of auto-clave, and exposure for six hours.

Sanitary report: Yellow fever, 3 new cases during the week, 1 death. Other causes of death: Enteritis, 1; dropsy, 1; stillborn, 1; eclampsia, 1; inanition, 1; total 7.

Population 8,000, as officially estimated recently, with probably 300 to 500 transients.

During the six months ended July 1, there have been in Progreso of yellow fever 9 cases with 1 death. To-day, July 18, there are three or four cases of yellow fever in this town as near as I can learn.

In the city of Merida during the six months ended July 1, there have been of yellow fever 122 cases with about 52 deaths.

Reports from Tampico—Inspection of vessels—Yellow fever—Increase in number of mosquitoes:

Temporary Acting Assistant Surgeon Lippincott reports, July 14, as follows:

Week ended July 11, 1903.

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| Bills of health issued | 6 |
| Vessels inspected and passed | 4 |
| Personnel of crews | 197 |
| Passengers | 11 |
| Baggage (pieces) | 9 |
| Vessels disinfected and passed | 2 |